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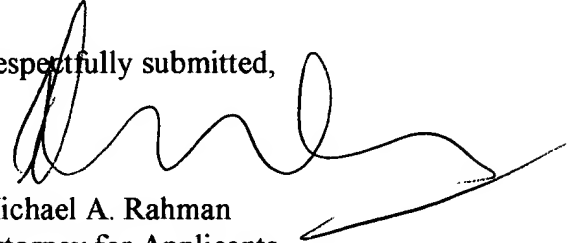
Applicants herewith petition the Commissioner of Patents to extend the time to reply to the office action dated 05/02/03 for three months from 08/02/03 to 11/02/03.

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE REQUIRED FEES

It is believed that under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3), a fee of \$475.00 is required for an extension of time to reply by three months for a small entity. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$475.00 to our Deposit Account No. 501674.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael A. Rahman', written over the text 'Respectfully submitted,'.

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